UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION

STANLEY HERBERT : CASE NO. C-1-00-855

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Plaintiff : MAGISTRATE JUDGE HOGAN

:

vs. : SUPPLEMENTAL ANSWER

MILFORD TOWING & SERVICE, : OF THE DEFENDANTS MILFORD

INC., et al. : <u>TOWING & SERVICE, INC. AND</u>

QUENTIN KLUTE

Defendants

Now come Defendants, by and through their undersigned counsel, and for their Supplement Answer to the Complaint of the Plaintiff hereby state as follows:

FIRST DEFENSE

1. The Complaint fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.

SECOND DEFENSE

Denying, as set forth below, the assertions of the Plaintiff in his Complaint,
 Defendants state that the Plaintiff has waived his claims with respect to all of his allegations.

THIRD DEFENSE

Denying, as set forth below, the assertions of the Plaintiff in his Complaint,
 Defendants state that the Plaintiff has waived his claims with respect to all of his allegations.

FOURTH DEFENSE

4. Denying, as set forth below, the assertions of the Plaintiff in his Complaint,

Defendants state that the actions of the Plaintiff during the period alleged by him in his Complaint bar him from recovery under the "clean hands" doctrine.

FIFTH DEFENSE

Denying, as set forth below, the assertions of the Plaintiff in his Complaint,
Defendants state that were any such allegations based in fact, Plaintiff must yet be
barred from recovery under the doctrine of laches.

SIXTH DEFENSE

- Defendants admit the prefatory comments contained in paragraph 1 of the
 Complaint and incorporate the defenses herein above set forth.
- 7. Defendants admit the Court's jurisdiction with respect to Title VII, but reserves and, therefore deny Plaintiff's claims of jurisdiction predicated upon the number of employees includable under 42 U.S.C. § 2000e(b)e, and, further deny that the proceedings before the EEOC were sufficient to satisfy the necessary conditions precedent to the filing of this action.
- Defendants admit the allegations contained in paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 of the Complaint.
- 9. Defendants admit the allegations contained in the first sentence of paragraph 6 of the Complaint and further admit that the Plaintiff was re-employed by the company in 1993. Defendants deny the balance of the allegations contained in paragraph 6.
- Defendants admit that Milford Towing and Service, Inc. hired Defendant, Quentin
 Klute, the grand-nephew of Don Trammell, as the adjacent Service location to act

- as manager and that in so acting he was Plaintiff's immediate supervisor. The balance of paragraph 7 of the Complaint is denied.
- 11. Defendants deny the allegations contained in paragraphs 8, 9, 11 and 12 of the Complaint. Defendants deny, for want of knowledge, the allegations contained in the first sentence of paragraph 10 of the Complaint and deny the balance of the allegations of said paragraph.
- 12. With regard to paragraph 13 of the Complaint, Defendants acknowledge that on or about September 3, 1999, Plaintiff was disciplined for leaving work without permission several hours early on the previous day leaving one or two automobiles unfinished and undeliverable to customers. Defendants state that the Plaintiff quit and failed to return to work after September 3, 1999. To the extent inconsistent with the foregoing, Defendants deny the allegations contained in paragraph 13 of the Complaint.
- 13. Defendants admit allegations contained in paragraphs 14 and 15 of the Complaint.
- 14. Defendants deny the allegations contained in paragraphs 16 and 17 of the Complaint and, for want of knowledge deny the allegations contained in paragraph 18 thereof.
- 15. Defendants deny the allegations contained in paragraphs 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 and 31 of the Complaint.

SEVENTH DEFENSE

16. The Plaintiff has failed to mitigate his damages.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on October 8, 2003, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to the following:

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